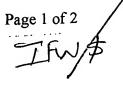


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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 10/826,404

For: VALVE ACTUATION SYSTEM WITH VALVE SEATING CONTROL

Our Reference: 34090-06299

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-referenced application are the following documents:

- 1) Transmittal Form (1 page);
- (2) Fee Transmittal (1 page);
- (3) Response to Notice to File Missing Parts (1 page);
- (4) Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts (2 pages);
- (5) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages); and
- (6) Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Executed Assignment (3 pages).

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed June 28, 2004, Applicant's attorney submits the following documents in order to complete the formal requirements for the above-referenced nonprovisional application.

- (1) Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
- (2) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney; and
- (3) Payment of surcharge in the amount of \$130.00 as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16 (e).

Date: August 20, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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